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CUSTOMS DISTRICT BY CONTINENT

COVERAGE

This report presents United States Customs district by continent statistics on United States airborne export and import shipments made in foreign trade.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program-Grant-Aid shipments, Mutual Security Program economic assistance shipments, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P. L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions and trade between United States possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the United States export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through United States Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise which has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently re-exported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

Effective with the statistics for January 1963, the information shown for exports to Canada represents fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $100-$1,999 based on a 10 percent sample of such shipments. The information shown for exports to countries other than Canada represents fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued $100-$499 based on a 50 percent sample of such shipments. In addition to these data, estimated data for shipments valued under $100 based on a 10 percent sample of such shipments are also included in the figures shown in the "Total" columns in Table 1. These estimates for shipments valued under $100 are not included in the other figures in the table.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. A rough guide to the general level of sampling variability (on a two chances out of three basis) of value totals shown is given below. Usually the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Detailed information on the sampling variability of individual figures is available upon request.

Value totals for "Total" and North America of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of: under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%	20% and over
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.85	1.00		
$500,000-$1,000,000	.45	.65	.70	1.00	
$100,000-$500,000		.15	.40	.45	.55
$20,000-$100,000				.25	.75
Cells of under $20,000	Are likely to have sampling variability from $10,000 to $20,000				

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
$100,000-$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
$20,000-$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under $20,000	Generally $1,000 to $2,000
Cells of $0	Generally less than $500

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The sampling variability, in percentage terms, of shipping weight figures can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the United States armed forces for their own use are excluded. United States trade with Puerto Rico and with United States possessions and trade between United States possessions are not included in this report but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be United States imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through United States Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise which has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently re-exported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The airborne general import statistics reflect fully compiled data for formal entry shipments valued at $100 and over combined with estimated data for shipments reported on informal entries valued at $250 or less based upon a 10 percent sample of such shipments. These combined data are shown in the "Total" column for the value data in Table 2 of this report. The continent and district by continent value totals shown in the table include data for formal entries valued at $100 and over but exclude the estimated dollar value for shipments reported on informal entries valued $250 or less.

The shipping weight information excludes shippin weight data for informal entries since this infor mation is not required to be shown on such entries Some rough indication as to the volume of shippin weight represented by informal entries may be ob tained by reference to the air export statistic where low valued shipments (under $100) are approx imately 2 to 3 percent of the air export value an from 10 to 12 percent of the air export shippin weight. Import shipments by air reported on forma entries valued at less than $100 are entirely ex cluded from the air import statistics. These unde $100 formal import shipments amount to less than percent of the total air import value and shippin weight.

As noted above, the value figures for total ai imports by Customs district include estimates o informal entries ($250 or less) based on a 10 per cent sample of such entries. They are, therefore subject to sampling variability. In general, th higher value figures will have the lower percen sampling errors. The following table gives a roug guide to the sampling variability of Customs dis trict totals. More detailed information on th sampling variability of individual figures i available on request.

Value totals of:	Are likely to have sampling variability limits of:
$500,000 and over	Less than 1%
$100,000 - $500,000	1% to 5%
$20,000 - $100,000	5% to 15%
Under $20,000	$1000 to $2000

The Customs district value and shipping weight totals shown include a small amount of shipments which could not be distributed by continent.

Table 1.—SHIPPING WEIGHT AND VALUE OF UNITED STATES AIRBORNE EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MERCHANDISE BY SELECTED CUSTOMS DISTRICT OF LADING BY CONTINENT

[Only those districts are shown with imports or exports by air valued at $50,000 or more for any month during the period January-April 1962]

Customs district of lading	Shipping weight in thousands of pounds								Value in thousands of dollars							
	Total[1]		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total[1]		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. Flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. Flag carriers						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)
Total, all carriers..	[2]24,084	.....	6,854	5,071	6,485	1,230	231	239	[2]128,155	.....	18,710	11,913	49,525	9,042	3,046	1,199
U.S. Flag carriers...	.....	[2]8,485	2,941	1,019	2,264	594	85	88	.....	[2]44,803	7,633	3,132	18,229	4,438	1,565	349
Massachusetts.....	446	313	139	-	182	17	38	1	3,490	2,669	375	-	1,431	333	1,292	10
Rochester.....	8	8	7	-	-	-	-	-	25	24	24	-	-	-	-	-
Buffalo.....	32	32	27	-	-	-	-	-	165	165	150	-	-	-	-	-
New York.....	8,665	3,025	1,014	744	5,258	631	32	186	55,921	20,089	5,713	2,875	40,642	3,903	373	945
Philadelphia.....	56	8	10	-	32	4	1	4	172	36	27	-	121	11	5	4
Maryland.....	31	13	4	(Z)	19	4	-	(Z)	164	56	1	1	136	20	-	4
Virginia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida.....	8,013	2,384	3,319	4,235	4	(Z)	-	(Z)	14,228	4,436	5,098	8,535	64	8	-	1
New Orleans.....	405	87	322	20	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	-	1,072	323	785	195	(Z)	20	(Z)	-
Galveston.....	303	177	166	10	57	16	1	23	1,407	734	505	27	567	117	8	123
Laredo.....	292	163	285	(Z)	1	-	-	-	638	458	620	(Z)	2	-	-	-
Los Angeles.....	487	246	91	22	196	88	34	2	4,851	1,969	471	181	2,526	1,360	193	28
San Francisco.....	651	261	8	9	53	354	119	4	4,973	1,532	37	59	743	2,799	1,137	22
Washington.....	167	113	110	-	5	12	1	(Z)	676	484	507	-	35	67	2	1
Alaska.....	25	22	7	-	3	9	-	-	30	26	6	-	3	15	-	-
Hawaii.....	55	21	10	-	(Z)	33	3	-	53	17	4	-	2	19	23	-
Montana and Idaho.....	14	14	12	-	-	-	-	(Z)	90	90	80	-	-	-	-	3
Dakota.....	93	93	65	-	-	-	-	-	334	334	291	-	-	-	-	-
Minnesota.....	10	9	10	-	(Z)	-	-	-	47	45	46	-	1	-	-	-
Michigan.....	244	136	104	-	117	5	(Z)	4	567	327	110	-	427	6	2	9
Chicago.....	1,408	407	668	15	469	57	2	14	6,096	2,014	2,821	7	2,550	361	11	50
Ohio.....	285	8	197	-	(Z)	-	-	-	768	9	666	-	1	-	-	-
Puerto Rico.....	344	181	239	7	4	-	-	-	302	173	246	15	7	-	-	-
All other Customs Districts.....	141	74	39	9	85	(Z)	(Z)	-	428	369	129	18	266	2	(Z)	-
Special Category[3].....	1,909	691	-	-	-	-	-	-	31,660	8,423	-	-	-	-	-	-

Z Less than 500 pounds or $500.

[1] Includes estimated shipments valued under $100 which are excluded from the continent totals.

[2] Includes shipments of "special category" commodities and estimated shipments valued under $100 which are excluded from the continent totals.

[3] Represents shipments of "special category" commodities. For a list of the "special category" commodities see the January 1961 edition of Report FT 410.

Table 2.—SHIPPING WEIGHT AND VALUE OF UNITED STATES AIRBORNE GENERAL IMPORTS OF MERCHANDISE BY SELECTED CUSTOMS DISTRICT OF UNLADING BY CONTINENT

[Only those districts are shown with imports or exports by air valued at $50,000 or more for any month during the period January-April 1962]

Customs district of unlading	Shipping weight in thousands of pounds[1]								Value in thousands of dollars							
	Total[2]		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total[2,3]		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. Flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. Flag carriers						
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)
Total, all carriers..	9,097	.....	2,396	1,371	4,296	952	17	65	69,920	.....	7,308	2,051	48,790	8,462	343	827
U.S. Flag carriers...	.....	4,122	1,074	364	2,023	642	5	15	.....	29,606	3,253	818	19,591	5,774	63	107
Massachusetts.....	68	37	12	-	54	2	-	(Z)	894	683	340	-	486	9	-	3
Rochester.....	2	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	27	16	18	-	-	-	-	-
Buffalo.....	24	8	24	-	(Z)	-	-	-	218	192	200	-	7	-	-	-
New York.....	4,438	2,076	107	108	3,852	306	6	59	51,128	19,254	2,116	822	43,605	2,646	158	792
Philadelphia.....	8	8	5	-	3	-	-	-	648	615	5	-	610	-	-	-
Maryland.....	24	15	(Z)	-	23	-	-	1	304	72	3	-	265	-	-	2
Virginia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Florida.....	2,444	731	1,213	1,206	18	7	-	-	2,848	1,356	1,440	1,138	174	9	-	-
New Orleans.....	236	169	235	1	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	87	43	57	2	2	(Z)	-	-
Galveston.....	32	21	29	2	1	-	-	-	139	29	68	3	21	-	-	-
Laredo.....	73	64	73	-	(Z)	-	-	-	61	38	41	-	1	-	-	-
Los Angeles.....	339	159	21	6	104	206	2	(Z)	3,412	1,333	221	32	1,338	1,542	32	10
San Francisco.....	255	210	9	3	38	197	7	2	2,255	1,692	73	33	394	1,488	122	13
Washington.....	92	87	10	-	3	79	(Z)	-	2,168	2,026	214	-	15	1,853	7	-
Alaska.....	7	7	(Z)	-	(Z)	7	-	-	59	49	1	-	2	55	-	-
Hawaii.....	42	8	2	-	2	37	1	-	210	73	2	-	5	153	13	-
Montana and Idaho.....	3	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	48	39	47	-	-	-	-	-
Dakota.....	1	1	1	-	(Z)	-	-	-	23	22	21	-	1	-	-	-
Minnesota.....	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	20	6	6	-	-	-	-	-
Michigan.....	44	31	9	-	33	1	-	1	316	219	49	-	225	2	-	1
Chicago.....	262	115	74	(Z)	142	43	-	2	3,991	1,280	2,050	(Z)	1,479	352	-	5
Ohio.....	12	-	6	-	6	-	-	-	194	-	79	-	82	-	-	-
Puerto Rico.....	605	294	550	43	6	6	-	-	330	164	224	17	33	10	-	-
All other Customs Districts.....	86	76	12	3	8	63	1	-	539	406	32	4	47	343	11	-

Z Less than 500 pounds or $500.

[1] Excludes shipping weight data, which are not available, for informal entries.

[2] Includes a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent.

[3] Includes estimated value of informal entries which are excluded from the continent totals and the totals for U.S. Flag carriers.

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